GOOD LORD...

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Chapter 35: Full Throttle vs. Full Throttle

SHIVA JUST...

Y...

YOU'RE KIDDING...

JUST GOT WRECKED... BY MAN-KIND'S OWN...

THE STRONGEST GOD OF DESTRUCTION IN HEAVEN BY A LONG-SHOT...

RAI-
DEN...

I AM THE THUNDER GOD!!

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HOLY...

HOW
GRUE-
SOME...

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HUH...

PRETTY NEAT.

WHAT'S GOING ON?

HERMES, WHAT HAPPENED?

HE JUST...

TOOK HIS ARM...

NOTHING ...

MUCH...

AND CRUSHED IT.

GRIP

!!

THE IMPACT OF THE HUMAN HAVING CRUSHED THE GOD'S ARM...

DATES BACK TO A FEW MINUTES AGO.

DON'T GIVE OUT ON ME.

FU FU FU FU

UUNH?!

HUMAN!!

DON'T GIVE ME THAT CRAP...

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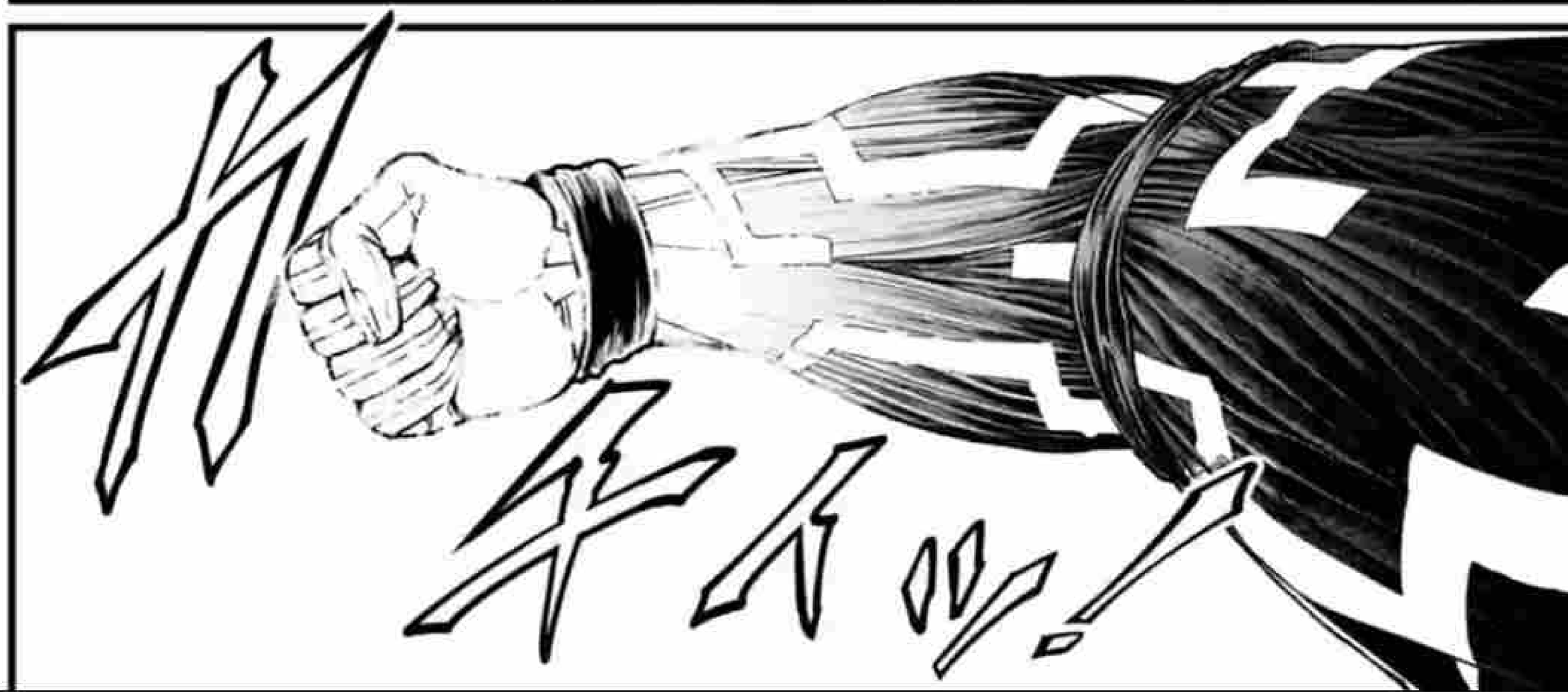

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WHAT'LL HAPPEN...

EVEN I DON'T KNOW...

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IF I USE THIS THING ...

AT FULL POWER.

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SONUVA...

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WA-BAM

KIKU-ICHIMONJI

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I...

ごごごごご...

RAIDEN, AT FULL THROTTLE...

HAS COMPLETELY OVERPOWERED THE HINDU GOD OF DESTRUCTION!!

IT'S NOT EVEN CLOSE!!

I...

I...

KYAAAAA! RAIDEN-SAMA, YOU'RE THE GREATEST!!

ATTA-BOY, RAI-DEN!!

SHIVA... AGAINST THAT LOWLY HUMAN...

I...IT CAN'T BE...

SO MOVED WITH PASSION RIGHT NOW!!

I'M SO...

FOURTH YOKOZUNA
TANIKAZE KAJINOSUKE

TO SEE RAIDEN... FREED FROM ALL HIS RESTRAINTS ...

WITH MY OWN TWO EYES...!!

RAIDEN'S STRENGTH ...

LIES IN ITS FORM-LESS-NESS.

AGREED.

FIFTH YOKOZUNA
ONOGAWA KISABUROU

FOR HIM...

THE RING WAS JUST TOO CRAMPED.

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HEH HEH...

THAT'S RIGHT...

TH...

KICK AAA SSS SS!!

RAI-DEN!!

NATUR-
ALLY.

SO HE WASN'T JUST SOME GLUTTON-OUS, LUSTY HORNDOG!!

THAT... WAS AWE-SOME!!

AND FINALLY GIVE MANKIND THE LEAD!!

WE CAN... ACTUALLY PULL THIS OFF...

HACK!!

KOFF!!

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KOFF!

IT WOULD SEEM HIS DAMAGE IS DEEPER THAN EXPECTED...

HE'S STILL REELING FROM THAT HIT!

N-NOT GOOD!

WHEEZE ...

SORRY, BUT...

LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH ALREADY...

DAKI JIZŌ

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...DAMN.

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YOU DID IT YOURSELF...

HEY, IT WORKS.

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EEEK!

SHIVA WAS THERE TO MEET HIM WITH A HEADBUTT OF HIS OWN?!

I... I THOUGHT RAIDEN'S HEADBUTT WOULD BE THE END OF IT, BUT...

NICE TRY!!

GUH!

SHIVA LETS LOOSE WITH AN INTENSE COMBO!!

EGADS!

KH!!

GUESS THE BALL'S IN MY COURT NOW...

WHEN IT COMES TO BEIN' HEAD-STRONG...

I CAN'T BE BEAT.

NOK NOK

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C'MON, LEZZ GO!!

C'MON C'MON C'MAAA AAAAA AAWN!!

C'MON C'MON C'MON C'MON C'MON C'MON C'MON!!

DO THOSE... LOOK LIKE PEA-SHOOTERS TO YOU?

...NO.

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HEH! THOSE LI'L RAPID-FIRE PEA-SHOOTERS AIN'T GOT NOTHIN' ON RAIDEN!!

THE FORCE OF A CANNON-SHOT!!

THE PRESSURE FROM EACH OF THOSE BLOWS IS MORE LIKE...

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COM-
PLETE-
LY ONE-
SIDED!!

IT'S A
FULL-ON
RUSH!!

SHIVA
TRIES TO
BREAK
RAIDEN
DOWN
WITH AN
OVER-
WHLEMING
FLURRY OF
PUNCHES!!

STAND
YOUR
GROUND
...

RAIDEN!!

R...
RAIDEN!!

DO-
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AA!!

GAAH!!
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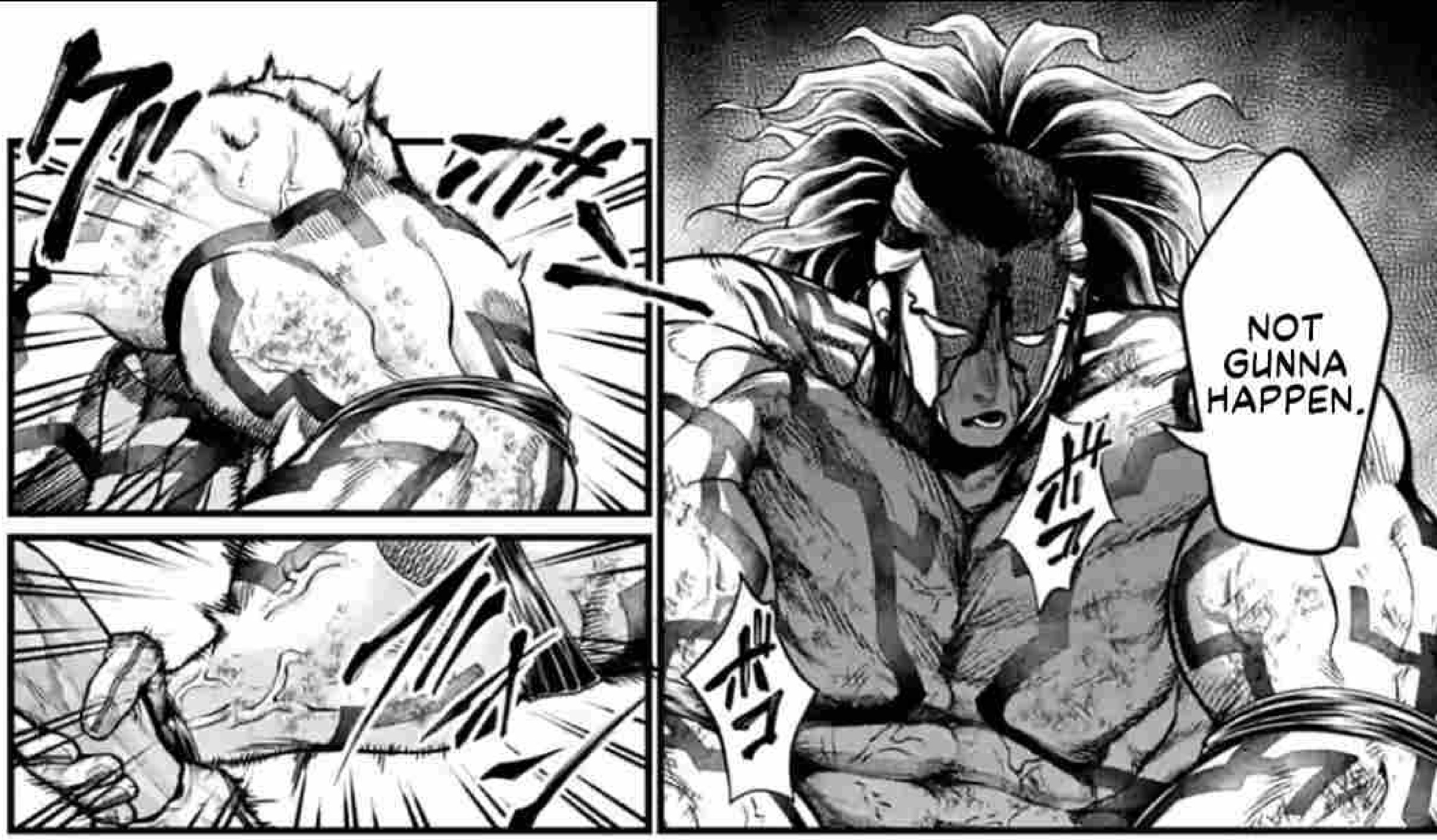
YER *REALLY* PISSIN' ME OFF...

MAN ALIVE...

!!

GET OFF...

G...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MIDARE BOTAN.

SPLURCH

GAAA AAA AAAA AAUU UUGH!!

GAH!!

HUFF...

HUFF...

IT COULD'VE COME CLEAN OFF, FOR ALL I KNOW...

THAT WAS PRETTY RASH OF YOU...

KH!

GOOD LORD...

G...

IMPOS-SIBLE...

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JUST GOT WRECKED... BY MAN-KIND'S OWN...

THE STRONGEST GOD OF DESTRUCT-ION IN HEAVEN BY A LONG-SHOT...

RAIDEN TAMEE-MON!!

S-SO THAT'S...

THE POWER OF MANKIND'S STRONGEST MUSCLES...

...OF COURSE, THOSE MUSCLES ALONE...

WOULD NOT BE CAPABLE OF SUCH DESTRUCTIVE POWER.

NOW, WITH THE POWER OF HIS *VÖLUND*...

THOSE RAMPAGING MUSCLES, WHICH WERE ORIGINALLY UNCONTROL-LABLE...

ARE NOW UNDER HIS *COMPLETE CONTROL AND COMMAND*... THAT IS TO SAY...

RAIDEN WAS ABLE TO CRUSH SHIVA'S ARM WITH HIS BARE HANDS.

BY *FOCUSING* HIS STRENGTH INTO BOTH OF HIS ARMS...

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H-HIS MUSCLES ARE GOING BACK TO NORMAL...

TALK ABOUT CON-TROL...

HUH... PRETTY NEAT...

THIS WILL BE A BATTLE FOR HIM TO GET TO KNOW HIS TRUE STRENGTH.

FROM HERE ONWARD, NOBODY...

NOT EVEN RAIDEN HIMSELF... HAS SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS.

THE THIRD-ELDEST VALKYRIE, THRÚD...

THE POWER WHICH DWELLS WITH HER RUNES IS...

THIRD-ELDEST OF THE VALKYRIES THRÚD: THE STRONG ONE

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GREAT...

YAY!!

YOU'RE OUR SUPER-STAR!!

WAY TO GO!!

AS EXPECTED OF RAIDEN, THE "PEER-LESS RIKISHI"!!

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ISN'T THAT THREE IN A ROW...?

I-IF WE LOSE HERE...

I-IT CAN'T BE...

EVEN SHIVA...

YOU'VE GOTTA PULL THROUGH ONE WAY OR ANOTHER...

WE'RE BEGGING YOU...

WHILE MOST OF THE GODS WERE TREMBLING IN FEAR, WITH A PREMONITION THEY HAD NEVER DARED TO SHOW BEFORE...

THE HINDU GODS, WHO KNEW SHIVA, HAD A DIFFERENT REACTION ENTIRELY.

AIN'T NO WAY SHIVA'S GONNA LOSE TO THAT YOUNG'UN!

HEH!

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IS THE SPIRIT OF ALL *1116* OF US!

'CAUSE IN HIS FISTS...

HELL NO!

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BEAT THAT GUY INTO THE FUCKIN' GROUND!!

SHIVA!!

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YOU'RE THE MAN!

YOU'RE THE MAN!

YOU'RE THE MAN!

YOU'RE THE MAN!

OUT OF ALL US...

YOU'RE AT THE TOP, MAN!!

GOT THEIR EYES DEAD SET ON ME...

EVERY LAST ONE OF 'EM'S...

JUST LIKE IT'S ALWAYS BEEN...

...EVEN WITH MY BACK ON THEM, I CAN TELL.

SHIVA HAD NEVER BETRAYED HIS COMPANIONS' EXPECTATIONS...

GOD OF DESTRUCTION

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SHIVA

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NOT EVEN ONCE!!

MAN...

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GUESS I CAN'T HELP IT.

TL NOTES

RAIDEN'S MOVES: MUCH LIKE "HYAKUHEI" FROM TWO CHAPTERS PRIOR, EACH OF THE MAJOR MOVES RAIDEN USES THIS CHAPTER IS NAMED AFTER A TECHNIQUE FROM THE *SHIJUUHATTE*, OR THE FORTY-EIGHT MOST COMMON POSITIONS IN SUMO. IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE:

-**KIKU-ICHIMONJI**: THIS TECHNIQUE IS NAMED AFTER A GROUP OF THIRTEEN SWORDS DESIGNED BY THIRTEEN DIFFERENT SWORDSMITHS UNDER THE OBSERVATION OF THE EMPEROR GO-TOBA. THE NAME IS DERIVED FROM THE TWO CHARACTERS INSCRIBED ON THE SWORDS' TANGS: *KIKU* FROM THE IMPERIAL CHRYSANTHEMUM EMBLEM, AND *ICHI*, MEANING "ONE".

-**DAKI JIZŌ**: THIS MOVE IS NAMED AFTER JIZŌ, A BODHISATTVA WIDELY WORSHIPPED IN JAPANESE FOLK RELIGION. HE IS COMMONLY DEPICTED AS THE PATRON OF CHILDREN AND TRAVELERS, HENCE THE NAME "EMBRACING JIZŌ".

-**MIDARE BOTAN**: THIS TECHNIQUE'S NAME IS NOT QUITE AS GRANDIOSE AS THE OTHER TWO, SIMPLY MEANING "WILD PEONY".

AND, MUCH LIKE HYAKUHEI, ALL THESE ARE ALSO THE NAMES OF SEX POSITIONS IN MODERN JAPANESE CULTURE.